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In re application of  
Rudolf Nordin  
Serial No. 09/701,598  
Filed: April 16, 2001  
For: CLOTH FOR A DRY MOP

DECISION ON  
PETITION

This is a response to the REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT, filed September 8, 2003. The request asks that the abandonment, as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment of August 27, 2003, for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed 12/1/02 (note: the actual mail date was December 5, 2002) be withdrawn since the applicants did timely file a reply on April 4, 2003. (A copy of the reply is attached to the instant petition as well as a copy of the USPTO date stamped postcard receipt.)

**DECISION**

The instant request has been accepted as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) - no abandonment-in-fact. A review of the evidence presented reveals that applicant's reply was properly filed on April 4, 2003 as evidenced by the properly completed Certificate of Mailing thereon and the copy of the USPTO date stamped return receipt postcard indicating receipt of the reply at the USPTO on April 9, 2003. Accordingly, any holding of abandonment for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed December 5, 2002 is hereby vacated, and the application is returned to pending status.

The application shall be forwarded to the examiner for entry, processing and consideration of the reply originally filed April 4, 2003.

The Petition is GRANTED.

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